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Docket No.: 393032044000

(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Michihiko SASAKI

Allowed: March 16, 2006

Application No.: 10/802,575

Confirmation No.: 3488

Filed: March 16, 2004

Art Unit: 2837

For: STRING-INSTRUMENT TYPE ELECTRONIC  
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Examiner: J. Donels

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM  
ISSUE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)**

MS 313(c)  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Petitioner hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw the above-identified application from issue. The Issue Fee in this application was timely submitted to the Patent Office on May 16, 2006.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-1952 in the amount of \$920.00 covering the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h) and 1.17(e).

Petitioner respectfully petitions that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue in order to permit consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (Request for Continued Examination with an Information Disclosure Statement) copies of which are enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 03-1952, under Docket No. 393032044000. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: June 14, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>PETITION FEE</b> <b>Under 37 CFR 1.17(f), (g) &amp; (h)</b> <b>TRANSMITTAL</b> (Fees are subject to annual revision)  Send completed form to: MS 313(e) Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	10/802,575
	Filing Date	March 16, 2004
	First Named Inventor	Michihiko SASAKI
	Art Unit	2837
	Examiner Name	J. Donels
	Attorney Docket Number	393032044000

Enclosed is a petition filed under 37 CFR 1.313 that requires a processing fee (37 CFR 1.17(f), (g), or (h)). Payment of \$ 130.00 is enclosed.  
 This form should be included with the above-mentioned petition and faxed or mailed to the Office using the appropriate Mail Stop (e.g., Mail Stop Petition), if applicable. For transmittal of processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17(i), see form PTO/SB/17i.

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**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(f): Fee \$400 Fee Code 1462**

For petitions filed under:

- § 1.53(e) - to accord a filing date.
- § 1.57(a) - to accord a filing date.
- § 1.182 - for decision on a question not specifically provided for.
- § 1.183 - to suspend the rules.
- § 1.378(e) - for reconsideration of decision on petition refusing to accept delayed payment of maintenance fee in an expired patent.
- § 1.741(b) - to accord a filing date to an application under § 1.740 for extension of a patent term.

**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(g): Fee \$200 Fee Code 1463**

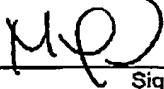
For petitions filed under:

- § 1.12 - for access to an assignment record.
- § 1.14 - for access to an application.
- § 1.47 - for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor.
- § 1.59 - for expungement of information.
- § 1.103(a) - to suspend action in an application.
- § 1.136(b) - for review of a request for extension of time when the provisions of section 1.136(a) are not available.
- § 1.295 - for review of refusal to publish a statutory invention registration.
- § 1.296 - to withdraw a request for publication of a statutory invention registration filed on or after the date the notice of intent to publish issued.
- § 1.377 - for review of decision refusing to accept and record payment of a maintenance fee filed prior to expiration of a patent.
- § 1.550(c) - for patent owner requests for extension of time in *ex parte* reexamination proceedings.
- § 1.956 - for patent owner requests for extension of time in *inter partes* reexamination proceedings.
- § 5.12 - for expedited handling of a foreign filing license.
- § 5.15 - for changing the scope of a license.
- § 5.25 - for retroactive license.

**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(h): Fee \$130 Fee Code 1464**

For petitions filed under:

- § 1.19(g) - to request documents in a form other than that provided in this part.
- § 1.84 - for accepting color drawings or photographs.
- § 1.91 - for entry of a model or exhibit.
- § 1.102(d) - to make an application special.
- § 1.138(e) - to expressly abandon an application to avoid publication.
- § 1.313 - to withdraw an application from issue.
- § 1.314 - to defer issuance of a patent.

  
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